

Benefit the people, not monopolies! Earlier efforts to ensure the open access to the internet and the data living on the millions of servers in our country and abroad were the right way to go. It's unfortunate that a technicality endangers the entire system. Please take up the fight to reclassify broadband so that the FCC can continue to regulate for the free and open access to online content and data. And please put a permanent ban on the so-called 'fast lanes.' Access to the internet used to be offered by thousands of mom-and-pop ISPs. But now monopolistic media conglomerates who have a financial stake in the delivery and the very content that they are providing virtually assures that they will operate against the interest of the general public and instead for their own corporate profits. And this is today. We can't even imagine what the online landscape will look like 20 years from now...unless the FCC fails to regulate internet providers as public utilities. I fear that giving Comcast, Verizon and other monopolies all the say in what the public has access to over the internet will bring innovation and advancement in the digital world to a grinding halt.